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CANCELLATION OF FIRST LEASE

Laupahoehoe Plantation First to Feel Effect of the New Land Policy.

CANE LANDS FOR HOMES

Four Hundred Acres in Center of Plantation Surrendered to the Government.

The first plantation to feel the effect of the recently enacted amendments to the Organic Acts, in relation to their leases of government land, is the Laupahoehoe Plantation, some four hundred acres of which has been withdrawn from lease and is now being surveyed preparatory to homesteading. This land was being worked under a lease, the natural expiration of which would not have come until 1923.

Practically all the leases granted by the government during the past several years to government agricultural lands have been issued with a withdrawal clause, the government withholding the right to cancel the lease on sufficient notice whenever the lands in question might be wanted for homesteading purposes. When these cancellation clauses were inserted in the leases it was supposed that the right the executive had to wide discretionary power in the matter of land would not be abridged. The recent land clauses inserted in the Organic Act have, however, abridged this power very materially.

When the board of land commissioners went into the question of the effects of the amendments it came to the opinion that so far as the board was concerned there was absolutely no discretion left them and that whenever homestead applications in sufficient number came in in relation to any part of the government domain, that part would have to be thrown open for homesteaders, the applicants and the other bona fide homesteaders to have the first right to the land.

This rule applies to land held under leases with the withdrawal clause in the same way that it applies to land not under lease or cultivation.

Under this ruling, the Laupahoehoe Plantation is now asked to surrender a portion of its cane land, homesteaders

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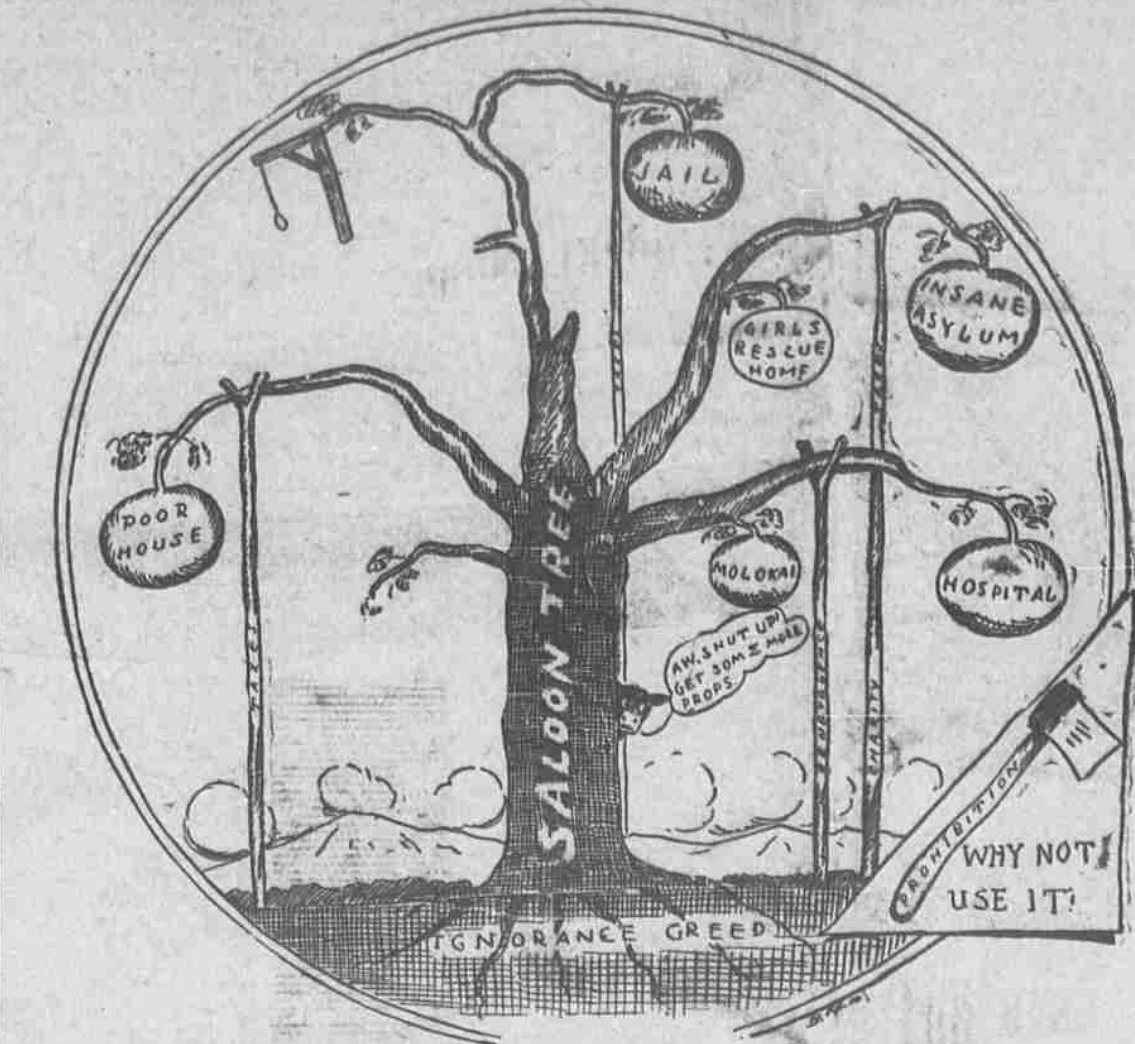
FLARE LIGHTS ORDERED FOR BUSINESS BLOCK

The merchants on both sides of King street between Fort and Bethel have arranged with the Hawaiian Electric Company for the installation of three large flare lights to be strung along at equal distances which will be lighted after sundown until about ten o'clock each evening. This section of the downtown district, which is the natural route to the postoffice, has always been dark except in the holiday season or on busy Saturday nights and the merchants decided to keep it brightly illuminated every night throughout the year. Fort street merchants between Hotel and King have had lights installed for about two years.

WHAT THE CHANGES IN PEARL HARBOR DRYDOCK PLANS WILL BRING ABOUT

The provision in the naval appropriation bill increasing the size of the drydock at Pearl Harbor will allow changes to include the following characteristics and dimensions, says the Army and Navy Register:

1. There should be at least four feet between the dock floor and the bottom of a ship on the blocks, and the top of the keel blocks shall not stand higher than the sill. This will necessitate lowering the level of the dock floor, as at present designed, to a sufficient extent to permit a ship to be placed on the blocks at the greatest limit of draft possible over the sill, and will thus leave ample room for working on the ship's bottom under efficient conditions.
2. The design should be lengthened over what it is at present to make it sufficiently long to dock a ship 750 feet in length.
3. The present design calls for a dock 115 feet 4 inches wide at the entrance and with 55 feet 6 inches over the blocks at mean high water. While this width is deemed sufficient, it may be necessary to increase it in order to obtain a proper angle to walls of the dock consequent upon the lowering of



"By their fruits ye shall know them."

NOW FILIPINOS WANT 'RESCUING'

Peculiar Story Regarding Little Brown Brothers Drifts in From Manila.

No sooner has Hawaii become reconciled to the idea that Samuel Gompers is heading a movement to "rescue the Russians held in peonage in Hawaii"—although he would have a hard job locating one to rescue—than the report comes from Manila that they are collecting funds there to aid "the unfortunate Filipino languishing in Hawaii."

About the only Filipino languishers whose present addresses in Hawaii are known are serving sentences in the penitentiary, and it is hardly those whom the home subscribers will want to "rescue."

Knocking Hawaiian labor conditions appears to be an international and worldwide industry at present.

The Manila Times, of May 27, reprinting a story from a vernacular publication, says:

"Vanguardia of Monday announces a monster meeting had been held on Saturday on the same ground on Calle Cervantes where the monster Independent meeting had been held, the object of the meeting being to aid the laborers in Hawaii who, for lack of funds, can not return to the Philippines."

"The president of the meeting was Sr. Hermenegildo Cruz. The speakers were Assembliesman Macario Adriatico, Doctor Elorriaga, and Mr. Faustino Aguilar.

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PROMETHEUS TO ARRIVE JULY 5

Captain Rodman Defends Usefulness of Cruisers of the Type He Commands.

In response to a cablegram from Captain Rodman of the United States cruiser Cleveland directed to the navy department at Washington, in which he gave notice of the crippled condition of the cruiser Chattanooga, adding that it would be a risky proposition for the Cleveland to attempt to tow her sister-ship from here to San Francisco, the navy department immediately notified the captain that the Prometheus would be dispatched here to do the towing.

Captain Rodman expects the big collier to arrive here on or after July 5, when both cruisers will be in readiness to leave for Mare Island. It is known that the crippled shaft of the Chattanooga can not be repaired here and the other one is weak, while the boilers of the Cleveland are not all together in the best of condition. Captain Rodman was ready to attempt to tow the cruiser but is better satisfied that the big collier will take this job off his hands.

Both the Cleveland and the Chattanooga are classed as being "without any fighting value." Captain Rodman agrees with this statement that they are no longer fighters to participate in any big naval engagement.

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MONEY IS PROVIDED FOR INCREASED PAY

Acting Governor Mott-Smith yesterday received a cablegram from Governor Frear, thanking him for his cablegram of congratulation on the occasion of the Governor's being made a doctor of laws. The Governor also stated that he had inquired from the secretary of the treasury in regard to the extra money to pay the increase of salaries allowed by the bill for the amendment of the Organic Act and the secretary stated that provision has been made for this in a deficiency bill.

TWO JAPANESE ARRESTED ON LOTTERY CHARGE

Two Japanese who call themselves Shita and Ohira were arrested last night by Chief of Detectives A. McDuffie on a charge of conducting a lottery. They were suspected some time before the arrest, and Chief McDuffie has been investigating the case during the past day or two. The accused will be arraigned today.

BASEBALL SCORES.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—The following are the scores in the big league play today:

National—Philadelphia 4, Boston 0; St. Louis 3, Cincinnati 3; Brooklyn 2, New York 3; Chicago 3, Pittsburgh 2. American—Boston 2, Washington 1 (tie); New York 12, Philadelphia 5; Detroit 10, St. Louis 4; Cleveland 4, Chicago 4.

STORM BREWING FOR ATKINSON

Will Need a Cyclone Cellar When He Comes Home From Manchuria.

Jack Atkinson, special agent of the board of immigration for the collection of Russian immigrants, sailed from Japan Wednesday on the steamship Chiyo Maru and is due to arrive at Honolulu, July 2. The storm cloud that has been collecting over Jack's devoted head for the past few months is due to break about the same time and a terrific convulsion of the official elements is expected to develop.

In fact, thunder mutterings can already be heard and the far-sighted can distinguish the sudden glare of distant lightning—and, so far as is known, Jack has neglected to invest any money in lightning rods. He can't afford it when he has to pay \$40 or eighty kopecks—a pair for Russian boots, vouchers for which have been under scrutiny here.

It has been months since the board of immigration has heard from Jack. In fact, it is unofficially stated that no word has been received from him since some time last February, though there have been various noises from the far East that sounded to the ears of the board of immigration like the mighty rushing of the wheels of automobiles, the crackling of firecrackers and the bountiful jingle of special tax money.

Numerous appeals have been sent to Jack to write. "If you can't come," the board pleaded, "please write—or if you are too busy to write, do please cable."

And many a word from Our Jack. But still the Russians come. Last batches have been coming for months, and there has been no let-up in the steady stream, notwithstanding the appeals of the board to Jack not to send any more Russians.

It is broadly hinted that the hard-hearted board of immigration does not look at things that have transpired in the same way that their agent does. They expected him to economize, or at least, let them know once in a while where he is and what he is doing. Finally the board refused to send him any more money, and he is coming back. It still remains, however, to see what preparations Jack has made to find shelter from the storm that rumor has it is brewing and that he will have to face unless he has provided for himself a good cyclone cellar.

Richard Ivers, president of the board of immigration, stated yesterday that a large amount of money has been spent for which no vouchers have as yet been turned in. He says, however, that he expects the vouchers for a good share of this will come on the (Continued on Page Four.)

W. E. BROWN'S MACHINE RUNS DOWN YOUNG GIRL

A young girl named Hoopill was run down last night by an automobile driven by W. E. Brown, but she escaped without serious injury. According to an official report of Patrolman Isaac Kaapua, the girl was slighting from a street car at Beretania avenue and Alakea street, when the car, coming at a rapid rate of speed struck her. She suffered more from mental shock than from the blow received. The policeman said Brown did not blow his horn to warn the girl of the danger. No charge was made against Brown.

SCHOOLS ARE PAU, SCHOLARS HAPPY

Commencement Week Comes to a Glad End and Troubles of the Parents Begin.

MANY PROGRAMS FOR TODAY

Yesterday Saw Close of Normal Term and New Diplomas Are on Exhibition.

Study in all of the schools is pau today, for with the closing of the public schools this afternoon the last of the scholars will be free for their summer recreation. The past ten days have been busy with the bustle of commencement and the sweet girl graduates have received their diplomas and packed their trunks for the summer outing, while the boys graduates are busy acquiring the dignity that goes with a new diploma and the thought of starting out to do a man's work soon. The youngsters in the primary and grammar school grades have gleefully tossed books aside and are ready for the joys of vacation.

Normal School Graduation.

Last night the Territorial Normal School had its commencement exercises in the school hall. The class colors, yellow and white, were carried out in the decorations, golden shower sprays were hung around the windows and massed on the front of the platform.

The program opened with a national hymn by the chorus, following which the superintendent of public instruction, Willis T. Pope, addressed the scholars. He told how he first came to Hawaii to accept a position in the old Normal, on Fort street.

The Normal is, he said, a very important branch of the school system, the graduates being all required by the department to act as teachers. This year the entire class of twenty-seven have accepted positions in the schools of the Territory.

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MRS. CASTLE WAS MURDERED IN QUARREL

NEW YORK, June 23.—Charlton, whose coat was found in Lake Como, Italy, in connection with the murder of Mrs. Castle, whose body was found floating in a box on the lake, was arrested on his arrival in New York today. After being closely questioned, he confessed to the murder of his wife (Mrs. Castle). He states that they had a desperate quarrel at Como over the presence of another woman, and in the heat of passion he killed his wife and set the body adrift in a box. His own coat, which was found later, was lost during the performing of the deed.

INDICTMENTS WERE BAD AS THE MEAT

CHICAGO, June 23.—The indictments that were found against the beef trust were quashed today on the ground that they were defective.

A new inquiry has been ordered and the government will not relax its efforts to prosecute the beef trust magnates for the alleged conspiracy in the raising of meat prices.

TAFT ELATED AT PLEDGE FULFILLMENT

WASHINGTON, June 23.—President Taft declared today in a statement that he was elated at the legislation enacted at the present session of congress, stating that it was fulfilling the pledges of the Republicans and greatly benefiting the party.

E. R. BATH A VICTIM OF CLEVER FORGERY

F. L. Woods, about whom the police know very little, and who is said to be somewhat of a stranger in the city, was arrested last night by Detective H. T. Lake on a charge of forgery.

The accusation was made by E. R. Bath, a local plumber, who said Woods forged a check in Bath's name on the Bank of Hawaii, Limited, for \$275. The check was dated and passed on June 18. Upon learning that the bank had paid the check Bath went to Magistrate Wade Warren Thayer and procured a warrant of arrest.

Woods will be arraigned today unless there is some reason to postpone the calling of his case.

HARVARD WINS.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—A well-contested game of baseball played today resulted in a victory for Harvard. The score was: Yale 2, Harvard 3.

TAFT DEFIES THE LABOR UNIONS

Insists on Antiunion Clauses in Sundry Civil Bill in Strong Language.

HOUSE GIVES IN TO HIM

After Heated Debate Recedes and Agrees to Senate Stand in the Matter.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—President Taft yesterday defied the labor unions of the country, announcing in his support of the antiunion clauses proposed as amendments to the Sundry Civil Service Bill that he wished the amendments adopted, even if it cost him the support of every union voter of the country.

The deadlock between the house and senate that had resulted in the differences of opinion regarding the enactment of a law to make labor unions amenable to the provisions of the Sherman Law equally with capitalist combinations was broken yesterday, the house receding from the position it had taken after a heated debate. The senate had insisted in the insertion of the antiunion amendments, the house refusing to concur.

Yesterday the President sent for scores of representatives to argue with them personally in the matter. It was in the course of these arguments that he issued his defiance to the unions.

The matter, affecting the reelection of so many of the members of the house this fall, occupied the attention of the members of the lower chamber nearly all day yesterday, and the final vote was regarded as a momentous one.

The stand the President has taken in the matter is looked upon as one that will affect the chances of the Republican party very seriously in November.

FEDERAL AID TO FIGHT THE RIVER

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Senator Flint will introduce a bill today placing two million dollars at the disposal of President Taft for the carrying on of emergency work to check the damage being done in southern California through any further overflowing of the Colorado River. This year the State and the Southern Pacific Railroad spent large amounts in attempting to turn the river back into its old channel, the floods resulting from the overflow having done immense damage.

GOLDEN RULE CHIEF IS BACK IN OFFICE

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 24.—Chief of Police Johler, known as the Golden Rule Chief, who was suspended, pending an investigation into charges of graft made against him, has been declared not guilty and has been reinstated. His suspension attracted wide attention on account of the fame he gained through the commendations passed upon his work by former President Roosevelt.

MEXICAN SOLDIERS IN A TRAIN WRECK

CITY OF MEXICO, June 24.—Twenty federal soldiers were killed yesterday in the wreck of a train. They were a part of an additional force being sent into the disaffected regions along the Texan border.

EASTERN CANADA HAS SHAKING UP

YARMOUTH, Nova Scotia, June 24.—This section was visited yesterday by a series of sharp earthquake shocks. No lives were lost, but several buildings were destroyed and a number damaged.

BIG BILLS PROGRESSING.

WASHINGTON, June 23.—The Public Buildings Bill and Irrigation Bill are now before the conference committee. It is expected that congress will adjourn on Saturday.